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Dear Mr. Buckley:

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Reginald W. Griffith This is in response to your letter of April 11, 1985, concerning the temporary parking lot in the vicinity of the new Visitors Center at the Route 123 entrance to the Central Intelligence Agency site. The issue that you have raised concerning the intentions of the CIA regarding the approved plans for the project was also raised earlier this year by Mr. Eugene L. Kilcullen, President of the Downscrest Citizens Association. At that time, we requested the CIA staff to advise us of the status of the temporary lot and their intent with respect to the Visitors Center area.

In response to our request, Chief of the New Building Project Office, replied by letter of January 31, 1985, firmly reiterating the commitment of the CIA to conform to the approved plans for the entire project, including the Visitors Center area. A copy of his letter is enclosed for your information, has reiterated this same commitment in conversations with our staff in recent weeks.

We will continue to coordinate with the CIA staff as construction proceeds and seek full compliance with the approved plans, including the removal of the temporary parking and the provision of all planned landscaping.

Sincerely,

Reginald W. Griffith Executive Director

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31 January 1985

Mr. Reginald W. Griffith
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Dear Mr. Griffith:

In response to your letter of 22 January 1985 concerning the construction activities adjacent Savile Lane, I want to assure you and the community that we are proceeding in strict accordance with the final site and building plans approved by the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC).

Some confusion may exist with respect to this portion of the project because of an interim use of this area for parking prior to construction of the Visitors Center. You will recall that Bid Package 1 included the grading and clearing of this area and that Bid Package 2, which has not yet been awarded, provided for construction of the Visitors Center and the additional landscaping adjacent to Savile Lane. This division of work was necessary in order to accommodate 35,000 cubic yards of fill from the hill excavation for the building foundations. Although this area has been temporarily lined for parking 158 cars, typically less than 15 cars are parked in this area.

There has been one modification to the Bid Packages which may create some delay in completing the construction in this area. Recent negotiations between the General Services Administration and the Small Business Administration (SBA) resulted in the Visitors Centers, site lighting, paving, and carpeting being identified as an SBA 8-A Set-Aside. Since SBA has yet to identify a contractor for negotiations, the exact timing for the start of this work cannot be projected. However, our in-house planning is anticipating a midsummer start of construction.

We wish to reiterate our commitment to the project plans approved by NCPC and would like to extend an invitation to you and your staff to tour the construction site.

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